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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
JAMES SMITH ET AL : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION
SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. PCT APPLN. :
(Based on PCT/EP00/01411)
FILED: HEREWITH :
FOR: PRODUCTION OF A TEXTILE :
FLOOR COVERING HAVING
MORE THAN ONE LAYER,
USING AN AQUEOUS
POLYMER DISPERSION AS
ADHESIVE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

3. (Amended) A textile floorcovering as claimed in claim 1, wherein the structural components present in the polymer A) are from 60 to 99.9% by weight of ethylene and from 0.1 to 40% by weight of an ethylenically unsaturated acid, based on polymer A).
4. (Amended) A textile floorcovering as claimed in, claim 1 wherein the structural components present in the polymer B) are from 60 to 99.9% by weight of vinylaromatics,